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**Media Statement: ATNS Instrument Flight Procedure Maintenance Programme Update**

**Johannesburg, South Africa** – Air Traffic and Navigation Services (ATNS) SOC Limited, in collaboration with the Ministerial Intervention Team (MIT) appointed by the Minister of Transport, has prioritised the maintenance of critical Instrument Flight Procedures (IFPs) to ensure that key network airports are equipped with essential approach procedures.

All critical flight approach procedures were submitted to the South African Civil Aviation Authority (SACAA) as part of maintenance and have since been approved. This approval includes instrument approach procedures at the following airports:

- OR Tambo International Airport
- King Shaka International Airport
- Dawie Stuurman International Airport (Port Elizabeth)
- Cape Town International Airport
- Polokwane International Airport
- Lanseria International Airport
- George Airport
- King Phalo Airport (East London)

However, procedures at the following airports that have not yet been maintained will be suspended as of today, 8 April 2025:

- Richards Bay Airport
- Upington Airport
- Bram Fischer International Airport (Bloemfontein)

ATNS is committed to completing maintenance as soon as possible.

These airports will only be accessible during visual meteorological conditions, with no access permitted during poor visibility. ATNS will prioritise the maintenance of procedures at these airports to ensure that operations during adverse weather conditions are restored as soon as possible.

In conclusion, ATNS is pleased to announce that ten Air Traffic Controllers have accepted job offers and will join the organisation progressively over the next few months, thereby augmenting our capacity to deliver on our commitment to airspace safety and efficiency. The recruitment process is still ongoing for critical skills.

ATNS management will keep all stakeholders updated on the progress.



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